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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

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LAST UPDATED _____ HB _____
SHORT TITLE Public Defender Department Investigator Contracts SB 469
ANALYST Ortiz

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY08	FY09		
	\$600.0	Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From

Public Defender Department (PDD)

No Responses Received From

Department of Public Safety (DPS)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Bill 469 appropriates \$600 thousand from the GENERAL FUND to the Public Defender Department to contract for investigator services.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$600 thousand contained in this bill is a RECURRING expense to the GENERAL FUND. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of FISCAL YEAR 2009 shall revert to the GENERAL FUND.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

The Public Defender Department has not requested these funds and they are not part of the executive budget. The Department does not support this appropriation.

POSSIBLE QUESTIONS

Why are these funds necessary?

What problem would be addressed with this bill?

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